

# DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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## DECLARATION

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to their name,

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### IMPROVED BLIND FASTENER AND METHOD OF SETTING

the specification of which (check one)

- is attached hereto.  
or  
 was filed on July 16, 2004 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application No. PCT/EP2004/007915 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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| PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S) |         |                            |                                     |                          |
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| APPN. SERIAL NO.             | COUNTRY | DATE FILED<br>(MM/DD/YYYY) | PRIORITY CLAIM                      |                          |
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